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 Examiner: Farah, A.
 Group: 3739
 Docket No: LE-199J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a RESPONSE in reply to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2001 in the subject application. Also enclosed is an Extension of Time Within The Third Month and a check in the amount of \$460.00.

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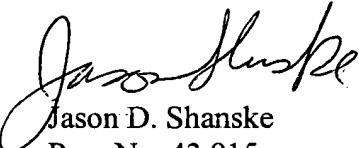
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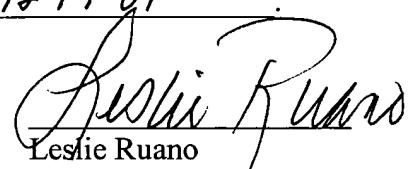
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RESPONSE

This Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2001 in the subject application. In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

REMARKS

The applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough examination of the application and requests reexamination and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.